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From: James M. Fowler,
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Subject: Cybersecurity Awareness Month

To increase awareness of information technology security, the Commonwealth Office of Technology will host a series of informative seminars in October featuring presentations from leading public- and- private-sector officials.

The seminars are being held in conjunction with Cybersecurity Awareness Month 2013, a national campaign led by the National Cyber Security Alliance (NCSA), the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC).

All events are free and open to state employees.

The presentations begin at 10 a.m. Oct. 4 at COT's training room, located at 101 Cold Harbor Drive, Frankfort, with a presentation by Renault Ross, a security and privacy architect at Symantec Corporation. Ross will discuss threats to online security, including cyber- and -industrial espionage, increasing threats to social media and mobile devices, and the use of widespread, sophisticated malware and phishing threats that have evolved considerably in recent years.

State employees should receive approval from managers to attend. Reservations are advised due to limited seating.

Additional information, including a detailed schedule of all events and reservation instructions, [can be found on COT's website](#).